## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

and as Parents and Natural Guardians of their son, a person under the age of 18, and

Plaintiffs,

٧.

Civ. No.: 23-CV-207

STARPOINT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE STARPOINT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, and DR. SEAN CROFT, in his official capacity as Superintendent of Schools of the Starpoint Central School District,

Defendants.



### **NOTICE OF MOTION**

Nature of Action:

Title IX.

Moving Party:

Defendants.

Date and Time:

Date and time to be determined by the Court.

Place:

United States District Court, 2 Niagara Square,

Buffalo, New York.

Supporting Papers

Declaration of Ryan G. Smith dated March 13, 2023.

Answering Papers:

If any, are due 14 and 28 days after service of this motion pursuant to Local Rule 7(b)(2) unless the Court issues an Order setting deadlines pursuant to Local

2.1- 7/h)/4)

Rule 7(b)(1).

Relief Requested:

An Order granting Defendants electronic access and

electronic filing in this sealed case.

Grounds for Relief

Requested

Rule 5.3 of the Local Rules of Civil Procedure.

Oral Argument:

If deemed necessary by the Court.

DATED:

Buffalo, New York

March 13, 2023

WEBSTER SZANYI LLP Attorneys for Defendants

By:

Ryan G. Smith 1400 Liberty Building Buffalo, New York 14202

(716) 842-2800

rsmith@websterszanyi.com

TO: Angelo DiMillo, Esq.

Attorney for Plaintiff, 14 West Main Street Lockport, NY 14094

TO: Gross Shuman P.C.

B. Kevin Burke, Jr, of Counsel

Attorney for Plaintiff,

465 Main Street, Suite 600

Buffalo, NY 14203

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

and Natural Guardians of their son, a person under the age of 18, and

Plaintiffs,

٧.

Civ. No.: 23-CV-207

STARPOINT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE STARPOINT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, and DR. SEAN CROFT, in his official capacity as Superintendent of Schools of the Starpoint Central School District,

_	- 4	<b>-</b>		_1 _		1 -
11	$\boldsymbol{\Delta}$	ГΩ	n	7	n	TC
$\boldsymbol{\smile}$	C	ᆫ	111	uc	ווג	ts.

# DECLARATION OF RYAN G. SMITH IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO ELECTRONICALLY ACCESS AND FILE DOCUMENTS IN SEALED CASE

- I, Ryan G. Smith, Esq., hereby swear and affirm the following under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746:
- 1. I am an attorney at law duly admitted to practice before this Court and I am a partner with the law firm Webster Szanyi LLP, attorneys for Defendants Starpoint Central School District, Board of Education of the Starpoint Central School District, and Dr. Sean Croft (collectively referred to as "the District"). As such, I am familiar with the facts and circumstances of this action.
- I submit this declaration in support of the District's motion for permission to electronically access and file documents in this case.

CaseCla26-1x200200012D7-4SE/ALDEDCunDeortu2111enFiled F0146050281.3P2ageP4age64 of 6

3. On March 7, 2023, the District filed a Notice of Removal with the

Clerk of the Supreme Court of the County of Niagara and with this Court.

4. Separately on March 7, 2023, the District submitted a Motion to File

Under Seal requesting that Defendants' Notice of Removal, and this case, be filed under

seal indefinitely in accordance with Local Rule 5.3.

5. Upon information and belief, this case is being treated as under seal

pending resolution of Defendants' Motion to File Under Seal, or the court has granted

said Motion. In either event, as of the time of this Declaration, I am unable to access the

Docket electronically.

6. In order to comply with any applicable deadlines set by this Court

and to adequately represent the District in this matter, I respectfully request permission

to electronically access and file documents in this case. I also request that my assistant,

Jessica Connors, and attorney Angela F. Kutzfara of my office be granted the same

permission.

Dated:

March 13, 2023

Bv:

Ryan G. Smith, Esq.

2

# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

and as Parents and Natural Guardians of their son, a person under the age of 18, and

Plaintiffs,

Civ. No.: 23-CV-207

9v.

STARPOINT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE STARPOINT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, and DR. SEAN CROFT, in his official capacity as Superintendent of Schools of the Starpoint Central School District,

Defendants.

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Ryan G. Smith, hereby certify that on March 13, 2023, I served the foregoing Notice of Motion, by first class mail, postage prepaid, upon counsel listed below:

Angelo DiMillo, Esq.
Attorney for Plaintiffs,
Leuer
14 West Main Street
Lockport, NY 14094

Gross Shuman P.C.
B. Kevin Burke, Jr, of Counsel
Attorney for Plaintiff,
465 Main Street, Suite 600
Buffalo, NY 14203

WEBSTER SZANYI LLP Attorneys for Defendants

y: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Ryan G. Smith 424 Main Street, Suite 1400 Buffalo, New York 14202

(716) 842-2800

rsmith@websterszanyi.com